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Brian on MVR cover 1976

Mo-Mo the giant pig was named by Mission Viejo High School junior Justin Norris. As part of the Mission Viejo High School's Future Farmers of America program, Justin paid \$500.00 for this baby pig. He will care for it, feed it, walk it, and then sell it for a profit at the Orange County Fair this summer.

Mo-Mo is over 220 lbs. and is only seven months old. The buyer will be someone who will use Mo-Mo as food. The Mission Viejo Reporter asked Justin if it bothers him that someone will eat his beloved Mo-Mo. He said, "not at all, that's what she's for." Justin explained that every part of Mo-Mo will be used, her belly for crispy bacon, her butt for a nice buttery ham, her head for a spicy soup, and even Mo-Mo's ears for dog treats.



Mission Viejo High School student Justin Norris, and his prize winning pig Mo-Mo.



Mission Viejo High School teacher Cherie Shook says the program is one of the few in the area. It teaches city kids how to be responsible for farm animals. At the Mission Viejo campus they have chickens, pigs, sheep and a few other interesting animals.

One of the buyers each year at the fair is MVHS Music Director John Hannan, who has been licking his lips and has had his eye on Mo-Mo all year.

The Mission Viejo Reporter asked Justin hypothetically if John Hannan were to buy Mo-Mo and ask Justin to eat some of the tasty bacon from Mo-Mo, would he eat it. Justin said, "Probably not."

OLYMPIC MEMORIES MISSION VIEJO Brian Goodell's Personal Story of Victory



Brian Goodell Games!

Every time I hear The Star Spangled Banner, it takes me back to my time on top of the podium in Montreal 40 years ago, and I feel a tremendous feeling of pride and gratitude for the chance to represent our country in the Olympic

I won two gold medals in swimming that year and brought them home to Mission Viejo, but what I cherish the most from what I brought home is a solid set of ETHICS,

that was my true victory. I was only 17 years old, and I realized as I stood on that podium that I could accomplish anything I put my mind to, and yet I didn't understand how it would affect my entire life. I learned that everything you do is potential front page news, and that it was up to me alone to make sure that I acted like a champion.

John Wooden once said, "The true test of a man's character is what he does when no one is watching." It determines an individual's moral judgment about right and wrong. Being an Olympian played a big role in my life as a husband, father, and businessman.



Brian's two Gold Medals

Editor's Note: In November, Brian is running for Mission Viejo city council.

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR PRO TEM MISSION VIEJO TEEN SCENE



By Mayor Pro Tem, Wendy Bucknum

The City of Mission Viejo is committed to providing a unique environment for teens to socialize, have fun, learn, and just be themselves. Examples include the brand new Mission Viejo Teen Scene which offers programed events

for teens by teens. The goals for these programs range from short term, such as providing event planning and committee leadership experience, to long term, including developing a Teen Consortium yearly event with guest speakers to talk about real teen issues such as cyber bullying and drug use.



Recently, the High School Teen Scene bonfire and dodgeball night at the Felipe Tennis Center hosted teens from all of our high schools. The positive feedback from the event provided insight into future events such as a summer dodgeball league and fall battle of the bands/skate park night.

The Middle School Teen Scene hosted its first dance on June 10. The event was open to graduating 6th and current 7th and 8th grade students. The low cost (\$5) event included a DJ, fun games, and snacks. Future middle school events include a Do-It-Yourself Pizza / Movie Night and an introduction to a "volunteer" program scheduled to kick off next summer. For more information on teen programs, contact Ashley Blair at 949-470-3075.



Summer Fire Safety Lessons From The Chief

John Abel, Mission Viejo Fire Chief Orange County Fire Authority



Every summer Mission Viejo residents look forward to outdoor barbecues. Summertime, however, also brings fire and injuries due to outdoor cooking.

TO KEEP YOUR SUMMER BBQs FROM GOING UP IN FLAMES

- Always keep the lid to gas grills open when lighting the grill.
- If the flames go out prematurely, turn the grill off and wait 5 - 15 minutes for gas to clear the area before relighting it.
- Clean the catch tray below the grill regularly, keeping grease in check.
- Be careful to keep sleeves away from the flames.
- Keep children and pets at least 3' away from the grill area.
- Keep a fire extinguisher close to your BBQ.
- If using charcoal, when finished let the coals cool completely and dispose of them in a metal container.
- Place grill 10' away from combustibles.
- On combustible balconies, decks, and patios, use an electric grill or an LP gas grill with a container capacity of less than 2.5 pounds.
- Never leave the BBQ unattended while cooking.



FROM OUR OLYMPIC HISTORY DEPT.

THE LEGEND OF FLO JO

By Chuck Costello

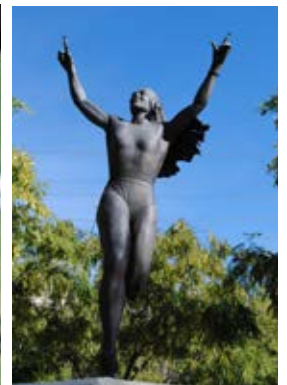
Florence Joyner Park is located at the corner of Alicia & Olympiad Parkway. It just might be the most beautiful park in Mission Viejo. It is named after **Florence Griffith Joyner** who is considered the fastest woman of all time, because she set world records in 1988 for both the 100 m and 200 m that still stand today.

She grew up in the Los Angeles area, and attended Jordan High School and graduated from California State University at Northridge. After her Olympic career, Florence, her husband, and daughter moved to the **Canyon Crest** neighborhood in Mission Viejo. Florence died in her sleep at home at the very young age of thirty-eight.

A statue is dedicated to her in the park along with an area dedicated to all Olympians from Mission Viejo.



Olympic Gold Medal Race



Florence Joyner Park

MISSION VIEJO HACIENDA OF THE MONTH

Our **Hacienda of the Month** winners for the month of August are **Brock and Brittany Amos**. Brock moved to Mission Viejo as a child and knew growing up that this is where he wanted to raise a family. They have done many projects to keep the house looking beautiful,



including putting smooth stucco on the outside of the house as well as redoing the front and back landscapes. They plant succulents and other drought tolerant plants and use drip lines and artificial turf to cut their water bill. Their new A/C unit was also installed just in time for the summer heat.



Brock has many fond memories of being raised here. "Growing up, my sister and I played many different sports and attended Junior Lifeguards at the Lake," He attended De Portola, La Paz and MVHS. His wife Brittany loves the display of lights at Christmas time and loves that the weather is always perfect. They still love the first restaurant they went to on the day they moved here, **Big O to Go**.



OUR MISSION VIEJO VISION

CREATING OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF MISSION VIEJO

by Shelly Blair



OPINION

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As a child, I remember playing at the Lake, laughing with my friends, and thinking that Mission Viejo was the best place in the world to be a kid. When

my husband and I decided to settle down, I told him we could look at any house he wanted-- as long as it was in Mission Viejo.

Mission Viejo is the same family-friendly city I remember from my youth, but there are fewer young families and fewer kids. In fact, only 3 out of 10 Mission Viejo residences are home to families with young children.

If we want to continue to be a family-friendly city, we must work to attract the next generation of home buyers. They want what every young family wants—to settle down in the suburbs near green space and great schools. If we work to attract young families, Mission Viejo will reap the rewards. Young consumers are more likely to shop locally, place a high value on giving back to the community, and are the largest, most diverse generation in the U.S. These new home buyers will create a powerful economic engine for Mission Viejo, and younger families will diversify our tax base.

How can we attract these young families? Studies have shown they want walkability, convenience, and public space. As a young homeowner with plans to start a family, I want a city that uses technology to solve problems and reduce inefficiency, has great restaurants, attracts new businesses and fosters a sense of community. Mission Viejo has always emphasized vision and proper planning process for our community. Let's make attracting young families a big part of that vision.

Editor's Note: In November, Shelly is running for Mission Viejo city council.

FROM OUR FEELING GASSY DEPT.

30 YEARS & COUNTING

INVESTING IN MISSION VIEJO

Meet **Farooq (pronounced Fa-rook) Iftikhar**. Farooq has owned and operated **La Paz Shell Gas Station** since 1986. La Paz Shell is on the corner of La Paz Road and Chrisanta, next to Mission Viejo High School. Loyal customers are the secret. Some of his customers are kids whose parents were customers when they attended Mission Viejo High School.



Gas is always priced competitively, and he offers one of the best deals in town: **Complete drive through car wash with hand dry and FREE vacuum for \$6.95.**



Beginning this summer, the La Paz Shell will take on a new look. Farooq is getting rid of the automobile repair portion of his building and replacing it with a new 2,000 sq ft convenience store. **The Mission Viejo Reporter** asked, "Why the change?" Farooq explained, that it's a generational change. Consumer perception is different today. No longer do people associate a gas station with a repair garage.



Overheard Mission Viejo

Would you kindly let me know if you are looking for more local scholars to feature in your "FROM OUR OVER-ACHIEVERS DEPT". section? - **Cris W.**

I just happened to stumble across the Mission Viejo Reporter and absolutely love it! I've been a resident for Mission Viejo for two years and cannot believe I just learned of its existence!

- **Alex G.**

Thank you for this very pleasant "home town" publication. - **Margo K**

Just finished reading Volume Two, Number Thirteen edition of the Reporter. Loved the format and reading up on all the local happenings! Got a chuckle when I read, "If for any reason we fail to live up to these promises, please don't tell anyone." Loved the humor! GREAT JOB!! - **Sharon L**

This Mission Viejo Reporter tabloid that I get each time in front of Trader Joe's is getting better and better each issue. I read the first issue and thought "Oh well, good try" then I kept picking it up and the content is actually improving by the month...." Thanks - **Larry S**

How do I get my MV news? Well, I sometimes pick up a copy of Mission Viejo Reporter from the Smart and Final @ Alicia/Trabuco. I do enjoy looking through "paper" with my cup of coffee. I subscribe to the OC Register for that reason, BUT that is not local enough for satisfaction. - **Denise D**

Finally... an informative and entertaining publication in the Saddleback Valley!!! Look forward to every new issue... keep up the good work! - **Doug D.**

When I read your cover story (Lake Mission Viejo) - headline Wet, Wild and Wonderful, I thought for sure the story was about my first wife. - **Paul V.**

In your article COYOTE ALERT, did you have to say "a bloodied Roscoe, clenched in the coyote's teeth"? We get the picture. - **Bill C.**

You goofed! Leaning Tree of Gallina. You say "7 inches of rain a day for a month" sir, that's 210 inches of rain. When Noah sailed with his ark, they only received 5 inches of rain a day for 40 days....check your facts. - **John T.**

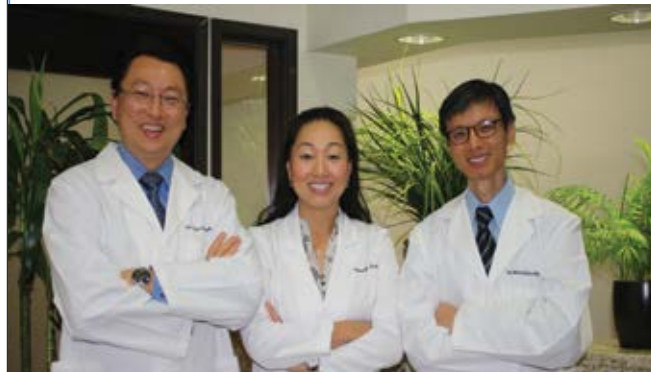
I enjoyed the story on the bartender who pumps iron, she can make my drink anytime huba-huba. - **Gene L.**

The best picture in the entire last months issue has to be MV's first resident standing on the slab of his new house with nothing around him but virgin land. Great story. - **Jim E.**



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WHAT'S UP FOR SUMMER? WE ASKED A FEW MISSION VIEJO KIDS WHAT ARE THEIR PLANS FOR SUMMER?



Bryce, 14
"I am doing lots of surfing this summer at Salt Creek. I went camping at Leo Carrillo and will be going to a basketball camp."



Austin, 12
"I am doing swimming and diving lessons. I am also going to Legoland with my family."



Zachary, 10
"I am going to Utah for a big family celebration. Then my family will be going to Solvang and up to Sequoia to camp for a whole week."



Hailey, 7
"I went to Bear Lake in Idaho and did a baking class with my friends. I will be swimming, riding my bike and roller skating too."



Scarlet, 5
"I have already been to Palm Springs, the zoo, the river in Laughlin, the mountains and to Lake Mission Viejo!"

Hudson, 6
"I went to the mountains and went on a hike and saw fireworks. I went to Lake Mission Viejo and went to the zoo. I also saw my first 3D movie: Finding Dory!"



Savannah, 14
"I am doing a Capo cheer camp, going to Catalina and took a trip with my family to Utah."



Adam, 5
"I went with my family on a hike through the Narrows in Zion and am spending time with my family."



Holland, 13
I will be going on trips to San Francisco, Catalina, Yosemite and Washington D.C. I love baking and will be making lots of yummy stuff this summer too."



Sophia, 3
"I am going to plant some flowers in my yard with my family. I am going to the beach and will be jumping on my trampoline with my sister."



Grace, 6
"I rode on an airplane for the first time with my family to New York. I saw so much cool stuff while I was there. I am going to the beach and playing with my friends too."

The warm sun and clear skies of summer make everyone daydream a little and wish they were somewhere else or doing something else.

With this in mind, **Mission Viejo Reporter** picked the brains of a few Mission Viejo students to find out what they have done or what they plan to do this summer.

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MESSAGE FROM THE MV CHIEF OF POLICE

POLICE CHIEF IS RETIRING



Lieutenant Brad NewMyer



I want to announce my retirement from the Orange County Sheriff's Department, effective July, 2016. It has been a great run serving the citizens of Orange County for over three decades. I started out in our jail system in 1986. I worked patrol for over 14 years in several cities of South Orange County, with five of those years being in Mission Viejo. I was promoted to sergeant and after two years in the jail returned to Mission Viejo for two more years as a Patrol Sergeant. I left Mission Viejo and worked as a Tactical Sergeant at the Orange County Sheriff's Training Academy. I was promoted to Lieutenant in 2013 and after a short stay in the jails, came to my final stop as your Mission Viejo Chief of Police Services. I have met a lot of great people in town, with a huge majority of those overwhelmingly supportive of police services. I have had a great relationship with all the city council members, past and present, on all subjects. I am amazed daily by the quality and quantity of work done by city staff and their heart felt desire to serve you all. I wish you all the best in the future, and I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Mission Viejo Chief of Police Services.

FROM OUR BIRTHDAY BASH DEPT.

& ABOUT YOU SAY IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

with Kathy Kuiper

My triplet's 8th birthday was this month, and we went through the list of all the places where we could have a fun birthday party. We wanted to do something outside of Pump It Up and Big Air since we'd already been to quite a few parties at those places this school year.

We finally decided to have the party at **Bold Girlz** at the Kaleidoscope (right near the Crown Valley Exit) in Mission Viejo.



I was especially excited about it because I didn't have to do anything except pick up a cake which I grabbed at **French's Bakery** on the way to the party.

I didn't even call ahead, but just went in and had their names added to one that was already made. A huge cake was only \$35 rather than the \$65 and up you pay when you preorder one.

When the big day finally arrived, Sienna, McKenna and Ashtyn were excited to see that their names was on the sign out front. When their friends arrived, they all oohed and aahed when they saw the runway they'd soon be walking and dancing on. The stylists on hand instructed the little ones to pick out an outfit and then head backstage to get done up. The best part was that the adults were encouraged to leave for an hour and a half while the girls got their hair and makeup done. The parents were more than happy to go grab a drink at a restaurant next door. While we were gone, the kids had pizza which **Bold Girlz** provided as part of the package. When we came back, the girls were dressed in their fancy outfits, and they put on a spectacular show for us. They did their groove thing to some funky music, and then it was time for cake. I was so glad I hired a photographer, **Ulrika (www.UMoments.net)**, to catch all the backstage moments. The triplets and big sis, Savannah, said it was the best party they'd ever had, and they can't wait to go back again. Fashionistas can find **Bold Girlz** at 27741 Crown Valley #305, Mission Viejo.

DOGGIE STYLE

MISSION VIEJO COUPLE SHARES PASSION FOR HUSKIES

Tim McVicker has lived in Mission Viejo for 30 years. Recently, he and his wife purchased a ranch near Murrieta and turned it into the **Shadow Husky Ranch**. Tim drives a big-rig truck by day, and by night he and his wife rescue death-row huskies.



Tim says, "Sometimes life just takes you for a ride. I always wonder if I rescued these dogs or if it was the other way around." Tim and his wife Elizabeth, an attorney, are hardworking people who hold down full-time jobs and continue to do so while making this whole thing happen.

How it began: Shadow, a timber wolf Siberian Husky was my soul mate for 7 years. Tim rescued him from the Orange County pound



when he had only one day left to live. Shadow was then trained as a therapy dog. He loved to go to convalescent homes and meet people. "Never in my life had I ever had an animal so loving towards human beings. If he were put down, all the lives he touched would have been missing something

wonderful," Tim said.

A lot has happened since Tim's days with Shadow. He got married, took part in many rescues, and built Shadow Husky Ranch. It's been a rough road to get where they are now, but things are finally coming together.



Both Tim and Elizabeth share a passion for adopted dogs and are committed to making Shadow Husky Ranch the perfect home for his family. Call Tim with any questions. He loves to spread the Husky Passion. 949 290-3217 ShadowHuskyRescue.com.

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FROM OUR TO CATCH A THIEF DEPT.

PURSE SNATCH BE ON THE LOOKOUT

One of the many clever ways crooks are taking your stuff:

The bad guys lie in wait near one of those large fitness center parking lots, waiting for the fitness club's women customers. They watch. If a woman gets out of the car with only a water bottle and towel the bad guys know there is probably a purse inside the car. After the women goes inside the club, the bad guys walk slowly by the car and look inside for a jacket or something that is most likely covering the purse. Then they loop around, this time breaking the window that is closest to the purse under the jacket, reach in and take the purse.



Put your belongings in the trunk of your car when at the gym, even in Mission Viejo.

FROM OUR MOVIN' ON UP DEPT.

STAYING IN STYLE THE MISSION VIEJO WAY

Steve Thompson is the consummate hair stylist with more than thirty years of Mission Viejo Hair styling experience.

Steve's hair styling career began in 1979 at the Magic Razor, located in the newly built Mission Viejo Mall. A few years later, Steve moved his newly named business **Always Hair** to La Paz and Marguerite Parkway in Miners Village.

Always Hair is a full-service hair salon for both men and women providing all hair grooming services from a simple wash and cut to coloring, weaving, dying, etc. He also provides referrals for other services including nails, manicures, pedicures, and beauty supplies.



Always Hair moved across the street last month into **Diversity Hair** close to Trader Joe's. **Summer Powers**, owner of Diversity Hair Studio and **Karen Kalberg**, chief nail technician, have been a part of the Mission Viejo landscape for years. **Cheryl Malloy**, a stylist, joins Steve at their new location. Stop in and see Steve and tell him **The Mission Viejo Reporter** sent ya.

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FROM OUR THEN AND NOW DEPT.

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Original Olympic Monument on O'Neill Road (now Olympiad)



Original brass plate of race course

Strolling down Olympiad, you can't help but feel the energy of a day long ago. That day, crowds came far and wide to watch athletes from all over the world compete through the streets of Mission Viejo.

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1984 Olympic Cycle Race finish line



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FROM OUR **THIS AIN'T BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN** DEPT.

HIKING SADDLEBACK

NOTHING LIKE A VIEW FROM THE TOP

The mountain with dual peaks, named because it resembles a riding saddle, has remained the major natural landmark of the area. The Saddleback name has been carried over to the local valley and both the school and community college districts, among other uses.



The two peaks came to be named individually - Santiago Peak, and Modjeska Peak (for the famous Shakespearean actress who settled in near by Santiago Canyon).

Santiago Peak, frequently referred to as Saddleback Mountain, is Orange County's highest point.

HOW TO GET THERE

From Alicia Parkway, head east through Mission Viejo. Follow Alicia Parkway to Santa Margarita Parkway and turn right. Santa Margarita Parkway will dead-end at Plano Trabuco Road, which will become Trabuco Canyon Road after making a hard left turn. Make a right onto Trabuco Creek Road, which will immediately become a dirt road that becomes progressively rougher before reaching the **Holy Jim Trailhead**. It is possible to get to the trailhead in a 2WD passenger car, but you will have to be exceptionally careful. 4WD is recommended.

DISTANCE: 15.2 miles

ELEVATION GAIN: 4000 ft

TIME: 8 hours

DIFFICULTY: Difficult

SEASONS: Spring, Fall, Winter, Summer



FROM OUR **OLYMPIC MOMENT** DEPT.

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Ziggy, Olympic Race Day 1984

One of the major players in getting the **International Olympic Committee (IOC)** to choose Mission Viejo was **Ziggy Wilczynski** of the Mission Viejo Company. Ziggy's role was substantial, from the initial call to the **Mission Viejo Company** from the IOC, to the opening day ceremonies in August, 1984.

In 1981, the IOC had pretty much decided on Lake Castaic as the chosen venue for the Olympic Cycling Event. It was at the last moment that the IOC took a small plane flight down the 5 Freeway looking once more for a suitable venue when the IOC executive informed the pilot to "go ahead and turn around". It was then that he looked out the window and asked "What is this community below us with all the wide streets and rolling landscape?" He was told by the pilot that it was the community of Mission Viejo. At once, a call was made to the then Mission Viejo Company, and the rest as they say... is history.



Ziggy Wilczynski 2016

When the **Mission Viejo Reporter** asked 95 year old Ziggy what he remembers about opening day that might be a little unusual. He said that one of his duties that day was to arrange for the landing of the helicopter that was transporting all the IOC officials. Ziggy placed a large colored wooden Olympic ring sign (see picture) at the landing spot up on Melinda where homes are now built, then directed the helicopter to land. Ziggy was fortunate to meet many of the top officials of the IOC, as this was the very first event of the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics.

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Mission Viejo's Olympic Athletes



Carolyn Schuler Jones

1960 Rome Olympic Games
Gold Medal 100M Butterfly
Gold Medal 4x100M Medley Relay



Greg Louganis

1976 Montreal Olympic Games
Silver Medal Platform Diving
1980 Moscow Olympic Games
(boycotted)
1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Gold Medal Platform Diving
Gold Medal Springboard Diving
1988 Seoul Olympic Games
Gold Medal Springboard
Gold Medal Platform Diving



Brian Goodell

1976 Montreal Olympic Games
Gold Medal 1500M Freestyle
Gold Medal 400M Freestyle
1980 Moscow Olympic Games
(boycotted)
400M Freestyle



Florence Griffith Joyner

1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Silver Medal Athletics 200M
1988 Seoul Olympic Games
Gold Medal Athletics 100M
Gold Medal Athletics 200M
Gold Medal Athletics 4x100M Relay
Silver Medal Athletics 4x400M Relay



Al Joyner

1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Gold Medal Athletics Triple Jump



Don August

1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Silver Medal Baseball



Jeanne Beauprey Reeves

1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Silver Medal Indoor Volleyball



Wendy Wyland

1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Bronze Medal Platform Diving



Michele Mitchell

1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Silver Medal Platform Diving
1988 Seoul Olympic Games
Silver Medal Platform Diving



Tiffany Cohen Adams

1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games
Gold Medal 400M Freestyle
Gold Medal 800M Freestyle



Lisa Jacob

1996 Atlanta Olympic Games
Gold Medal 4x100M Freestyle Relay
Gold Medal 4x200M Freestyle Relay



Julie Foudy

1996 Atlanta Olympic Games
Gold Medal Soccer
2000 Sydney Olympic Games
Silver Medal Soccer
2004 Athens Olympic Games
Gold Medal Soccer



1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games Mission Viejo Hosts Cycling Road Race



When the 1984 Olympic Games came to Los Angeles, the Cycling Road Race event came to Mission Viejo. The start/finish line and grandstands were on Olympiad (formerly O'Neill Road, renamed to commemorate the Olympic event), just outside the entrance to Lake Mission Viejo. The cyclists raced up through the homes near Crucero Park, down Marguerite to La Paz, and back up Olympiad. The men's and women's races took place on Sunday, July 29th, and Mission Viejo residents lined the route and helped staff the event. Now, the area has been commemorated with a replica of the finish line and metal art of the cyclists.



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PAPERBACK WRITER

WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?

By Pat Matthews
Summer 1966



Paul's aunt had been bugging him for months, challenging him to, "Write a song that wasn't about love." So he wrote this just to shut her up. He said, "We always try to do something different. And this idea's a bit different." Years ago my Auntie Lil said to me, "Why can't you ever write about a horse or the summit conference or something interesting?" So I thought, "All right, Auntie Lil, I'll show you."

In "Paperback Writer", McCartney plays the role of a would-be author trying to get his book published. He promises more and more to get the deal done! *"If you really like it, you can have the rights, I can make a million for you overnight...but if you must return it, you can send it here...but I need a break and I want to be a Paperback Writer!"*

It had been 27 weeks since their last single release "Day Tripper/We Can Work It Out", the longest drought fans had ever had to suffer through! Not bad for a song that incorporates the French nursery rhyme "Frere Jacques" on the backing vocals!

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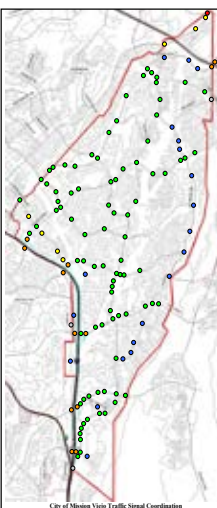
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Philip Nitollama monitoring live feed video of many Mission Viejo Intersections.



as a default during times of very low traffic density and when traffic is at its highest. The sensor loops typically work in the same fashion as metal detectors, allowing sensed traffic to flow on our main arterials while holding cross traffic at smaller streets.

According to **Brett Canedy**, Transportation Analyst at the City of Mission Viejo, "There are now 115 signals in the city's **Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS)**. The completed synchronization may potentially reduce travel times by 22 percent."

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FROM OUR A ROSE IS A ROSE DEPT.

ANATOMY OF A ROSE PARADE FLOAT

MISSION VIEJO RESIDENT DESIGNS ROSE PARADE FLOATS



Meet Mission Viejo resident **Richard Burrow**. Richard recently learned that two of his original float designs will be built for the upcoming 2017 Rose Parade, one design for the City of Burbank, and the other design for Sierra Madre. These will be his 3rd and 4th float designs that have been built for the Rose Parade.

Richard is an architect that got the "float" bug back in college when he attended Cal Poly Pomona. Cal Poly University is infamous for their float's squirting of cold water at freezing spectators along Colorado Blvd on January 1st.

This year, January 2016, his float design titled "Rollin' on the River" won the animation award for Sierra Madre. "Rollin' on the River" depicted 3 spirited pink flamingos riding down a river on upside down umbrellas.

Volunteers build and decorate the floats as well as raise finances to fund the work. The first two photos below are of the two designs being built for 2017.



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Emilee Feilmeier, Mission Viejo High School Water Polo

Water Polo Superstar **Emilee Feilmeier** will be a senior at Mission Viejo High School in September. Emilee was the MVP for the entire league two years in a row. Last year, she lead the league with 86 goals scored; that's about twice as many as the person who came in second place. Emilee plays center and has a keen eye and powerful throwing arm that helps her drive the ball to the goal.

Emilee's secret is all in the training. She's in the pool about four hours every day, in addition to lifting weights. Emilee protects her skin with Ocean Potion Sunscreen. This helps prevent sun damage while nursing the many battle scars on her back and shoulders delivered from the nasty nails of her opponent.

Emilee has many options when choosing a college next year; her goal is Stanford University.

